

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A process ~~comprising~~comprising:

providing a hollow imaging drum having a first end, a second end, an outside surface, an inside ~~surface~~surface, and coating material on both the inside surface and the outside surface at at least the first end;

providing a one-piece resilient sponge material having sponge cells, a base section for contacting the outside surface at the first end of the drum, and a guide section for contacting the inside surface at the first end of the drum, wherein the guide section extends from the base section and wherein the guide and base sections each contains one or more channels for flowing liquid solvent for the coating material away from the drum;

simultaneously contacting the coating material on both the inside surface and the outside surface at the first end of the drum ~~with the sponge material; with a one-piece resilient sponge material, said sponge material having an inner sponge section for contacting the inside surface at the first end of the drum and an outer sponge section for contacting the outside surface at the first end of the drum;~~

~~flowing liquid solvent for the coating material~~the solvent to the sponge material where the sponge material contacts the first end of the drum, the sponge material being insoluble in the ~~flowing~~ solvent;

producing relative movement between the sponge material and the drum to simultaneously wipe both the inside surface and the outside surface of the first end of the drum with the sponge material and ~~solvent material~~the solvent and simultaneously remove coating material from the inside surface and the outside surface of the first end of the drum; and

flowing the solvent away from the drum, through the channels in the guide section and the base section, to carry away coating material removed from the inside surface and the outside surface of the first end of the ~~drum~~drum, ~~said inner sponge section of said sponge material having formed internal channels for flowing the solvent away from the drum and said outer sponge section of said sponge material having formed internal channels for flowing the solvent away from the drum.~~

2. (Currently Amended) A process according to ~~claim 1~~ claim 1, wherein the sponge material comprises a sponge having a substantially horizontal upper surface and a vertical circular slit in the upper surface separating the ~~inner-sponge~~ guide section from the ~~outer-sponge-base~~ section to receive the first end of the drum for simultaneous wiping of both the inside surface and the outside surface of the first end of the drum with the sponge material.

3. (Original) A process according to claim 1 wherein the sponge material comprises a sponge having a substantially horizontal upper surface.

4. (Original) A process according to claim 3 wherein the sponge material has a disk shape with a circular wall which is perpendicular to the substantially horizontal upper surface and coaxial with the vertical circular slit.

5. (Original) A process according to claim 4 wherein the substantially horizontal upper surface has at least one drain groove extending radially from the slit to the circular wall to channel flowing solvent and coating material away from the drum.

6. (Original) A process according to claim 4 including rotating the sponge material while maintaining the drum stationary to produce relative movement between the sponge material and the drum.

7. (Original) A process according to claim 1 wherein the sponge material comprises closed cell sponge.

8. (Original) A process according to claim 1 wherein the sponge material comprises polyethylene.

9. (Original) A process according to claim 1 wherein the sponge material comprise cells having an average cell diameter of between about 1 millimeter and about 3 millimeters.

10. (Original) A process according to claim 1 including removing a strip of coating material from the outside surface of the first end of the drum, the strip having a width between about 3.5 millimeters and about 9 millimeters.

11. (Original) A process according to claim 1 wherein the sponge material is compressed against the drum while simultaneously wiping both the inside surface and the outside surface of the first end of the drum.